

Numerical Computing - CSCI 3656--001  
Homework 3 9/17/21  
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1.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{e^{x^2} + 1} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{e^x + 1} - \frac{1}{2} = (e^x + 1)^{-1} - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= -1 \cdot (e^x + 1)^{-2} \cdot e^x \\ &= -\frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\star f'(x) = -\frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2}$$

2. Please See the function: "newtonMethod()" in the attached script  
3. Please See the function: "hwHelper()" in the attached script  
4.

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Grid:
Start: -5.0
End: 5.0
# of Points: 5000

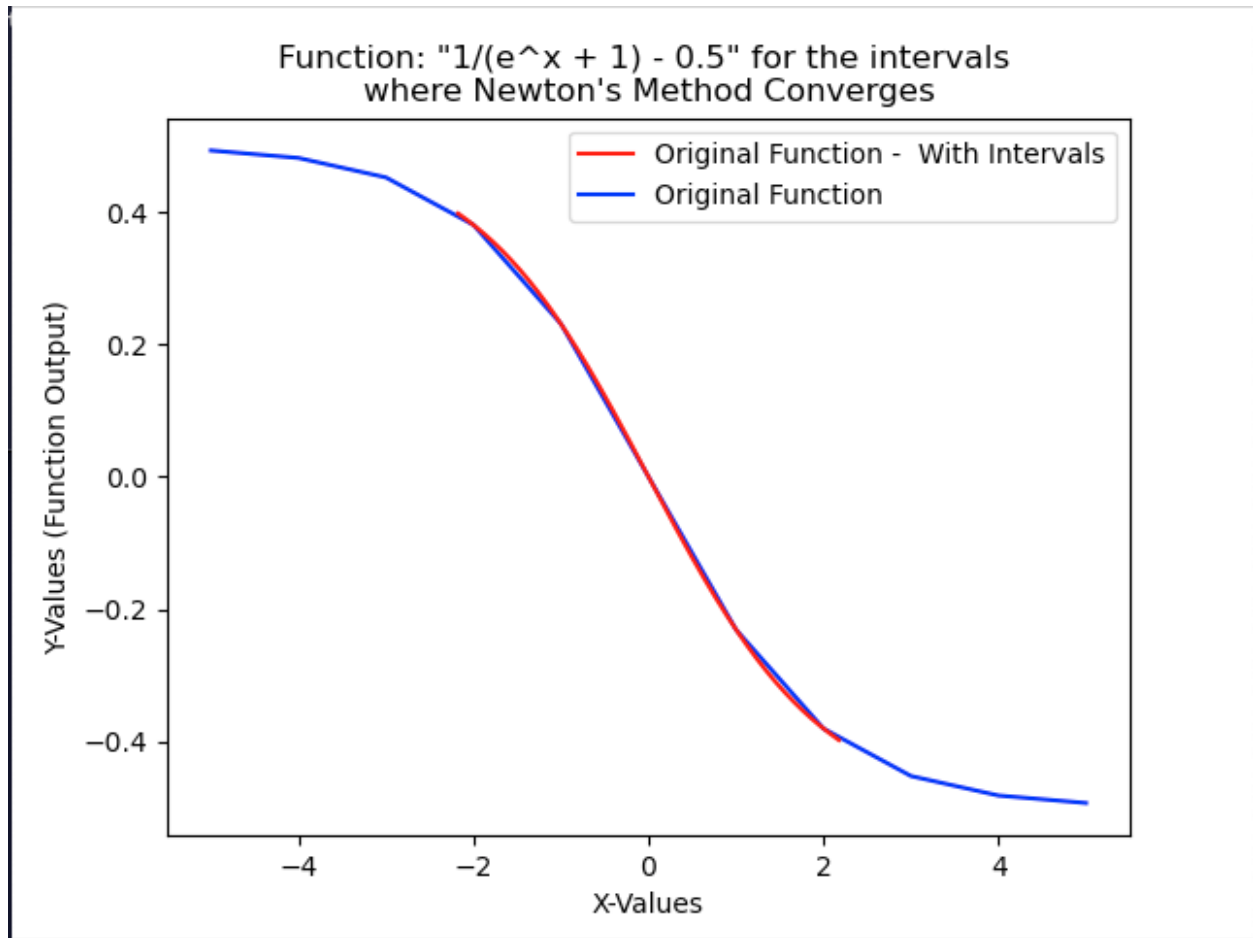
(Approx.) Lowest initial Guess that's valid is -2.1754350870174033:
With a Final Guess of: -1.4046813232439052e-16

(Approx.) Highest initial Guess that's valid is 2.1754350870174033:
With a Final Guess of: 3.6385147282255725e-17

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Extra Credit:

1.



My educated guess would be, beyond each endpoint ( absolute value of approx. 2.17) the next iteration to find  $x_1$  would result in the  $f'(x_1)$  being close or is 0. Making it impossible to converge at a root at the point of  $x_1$  or further  $x$ 's after a couple of iterations. Basically, as more iterations go on the error will grow if the initial guess is larger than the absolute value of (approx.) 2.17

2.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(e^x + 1)} - \frac{1}{2} \quad f'(x) = -\frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2}$$

$$\text{root} = 0 \quad f(0) = 0$$

Since root = 0,  $e_n$  will always equal absolute value of  $(x_n)$

Checking the ratio between  $e_{n+1}$  &  $e_n$  for initial Guess

$$\frac{e_1}{e_0} = \left| \frac{x_1}{x_0} \right| = \frac{x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)}}{x_0}$$

if this ratio is  $\geq 1$  we know any error we start with will strictly grow for the next iteration

Basically, I want to find an initial guess  $x_0$  where the magnitude of  $e_0$  is strictly less than  $e_1$ . By finding this "tipping point" I can conclude that any initial guess that breaks this will result in the Newton's method not to converge. Because of how I this up, I can also conclude that any number greater (in magnitude) from that tipping point initial guess will result in an error iteration of strictly larger or equal, meaning that the method won't converge to the root.

Simplifying the ratio:

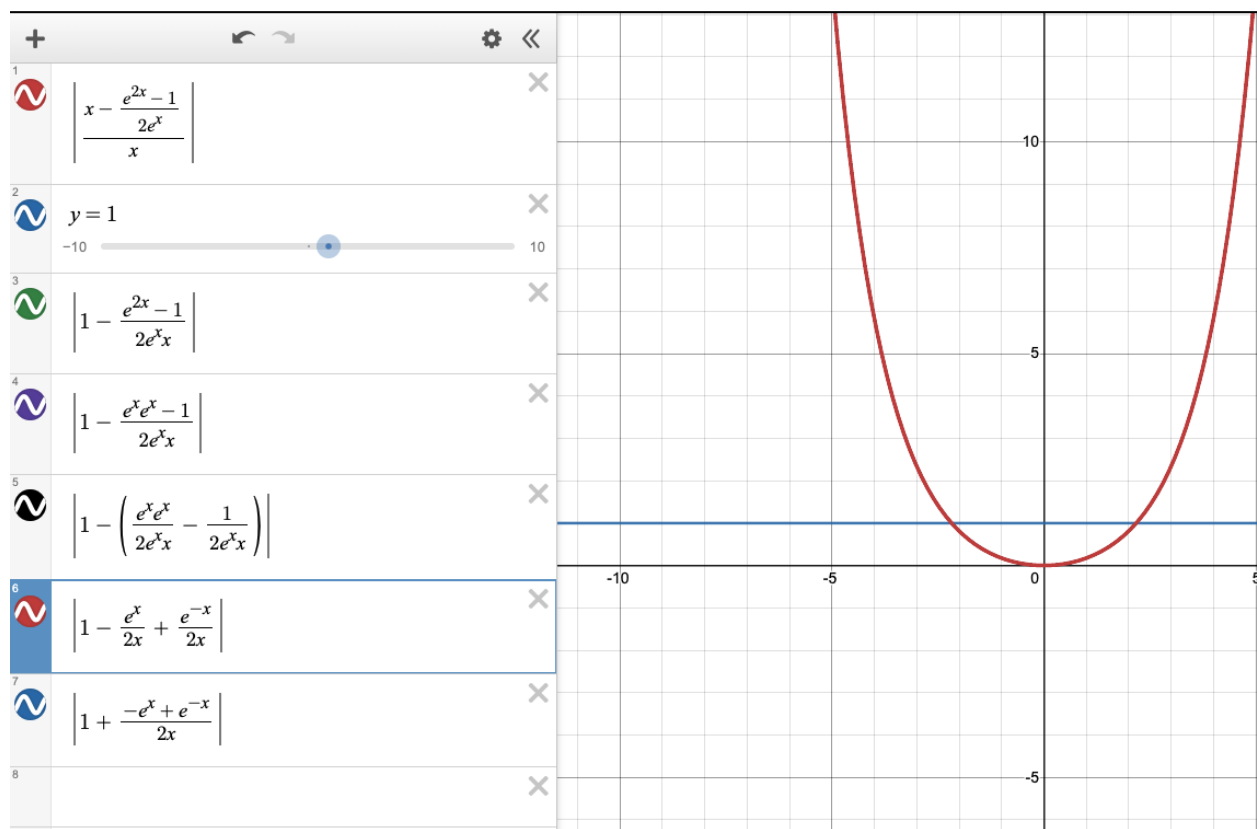
$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{e_1}{e_0} &= \left| \frac{x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)}}{x_0} \right| \\
 &= \left| \frac{x_0 + \frac{\frac{1}{e^{x_0}+1} - \frac{1}{2}}{e^{x_0} \cdot (\frac{1}{e^{x_0}+1})^2}}{x_0} \right| \quad \rightarrow \\
 &= \left| \frac{x_0 - \frac{e^{2x_0}-1}{2e^{x_0}}}{x_0} \right| \quad \leftarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} &= \frac{\frac{1}{e^{x_0}+1} - \frac{1}{2}}{e^{x_0} \cdot (\frac{1}{e^{x_0}+1})^2} \\
 &= -\frac{(\frac{1}{e^{x_0}+1} - \frac{1}{2})}{e^{x_0}} \cdot (e^{x_0}+1)^2 \\
 &= \frac{(e^{2x_0}-1)}{2e^{x_0}}
 \end{aligned}$$

I've spent a lot of time trying to simplify the equation further than this to easily identify what the tipping point would be, however, I kept running into some sort of algebraic errors.

I've resulted in plotting this on Desmos and comparing it to  $y = 1$  to find where the intersections are.

Please see below:



The intersection points resulted in  $x = 2.177, -2.177$ , which are very close to the  $2.175\ldots$  and  $-2.175\ldots$  points I found in problem 4.

Code: Zip at

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1PAD9viNXj7bakwce2TWkXd3ydnAE2rFC?usp=sharing>

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hwScript.py x
Users > kai > Desktop > Fall 2021 > Numerical Computations > HW3 > hwScript.py
1 import math
2 import numpy as np
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4
5 def newtonMethod(func, derFunc, tol, guess, root):
6     cur = guess
7     if derFunc(root) == 0:
8         return None
9     else:
10        cur = guess
11        while abs(cur - root) > tol:
12            try:
13                cur = cur - (func(cur)/derFunc(cur)) #Check if the derivate function at x_n is 0
14            except:
15                return None
16        if cur != cur:
17            return None #Check cur ends up at nan
18        return cur
19
20 def hwHelper(showVisuals):
21     func = lambda x: 1/(np.exp(x)+1) - 1/2 #Function Set Up
22     dFunc = lambda x: -np.exp(x)/math.pow(np.exp(x)+1,2) #First Derivative
23     tol = 10**(-9) #Tolerance
24     root = 0 #Root of Function
25
26     start = -5.0 #Variables for the interval [-5,5]
27     end = 5.0
28     points = 50000
29     potentialGuess = np.linspace(start,end,num=points) #Created 5000 points between -5 and 5
30
31
32     valids = []
33     for x in potentialGuess:
34         if newtonMethod(func,dFunc,tol,x,root) is not None:
35             valids.append((x, newtonMethod(func,dFunc,tol,x,root)))
36
37
38     # Visuals - Printing out all the results
39     if showVisuals:
40         print("\n\n\n\n\n")
41
42         print("Grid: \n Start: {} \n End: {} \n # of Points: {}".format(start,end,points))
43
44         print("(Approx.) Lowest intial Guess that's valid is {}: \n With a Final Guess of: {}".format(valids[0][0],valids[0][1]))
45         print("(Approx.) Highest intial Guess that's valid is {}: \n With a Final Guess of: {}".format(valids[len(valids)-1][0],valids[len(valids)-1][1]))
46     return (valids[0][0],valids[len(valids)-1][0])
47
48
49 def extraCreditOne():
50     originalFunc = lambda x: 1/(np.exp(x)+1) - 1/2
51     intervals = hwHelper(True)
52     x = np.linspace(intervals[0],intervals[1],num=1000)
53     y = originalFunc(x)
54
55
56     xw = np.arange(-5,6)
57     yw = originalFunc(xw)
58     line2, = plt.plot(xw,yw,color = "blue",label="Original Function")
59     line1, = plt.plot(x,y,color = "red",label="Original Function - With Intervals")
60     plt.xlabel("X-Values")
61     plt.ylabel("Y-Values (Function Output)")
62     plt.title("Function: \"1/(e^x + 1) - 0.5\" for the intervals \nwhere Newton's Method Converges")
63     plt.legend(handles=[line1,line2])
64     plt.show()
65
66
67 # hwHelper(True)
68 extraCreditOne()
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